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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: H1N1 FLU OUTBREAK, OBAMA's 100  
DAYS OF PRESIDENCY, PAKISTAN/TERRORISM; NEW DELHI.

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reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press.  
The Mission reports on English-language media via email  
through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

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H1N1 FLU OUTBREAK  
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1. "FLU'S TERROR" editorial in April 30 right-of-center  
Gujarati daily GUJARAT SAMACHAR: "The World Health  
Organization's warning on the rapidly spreading flu is an  
indicator of the severity of this killer flu that has  
left more than 149 dead in Mexico.... As far as India is  
concerned, the government machinery is busy with  
elections and doesn't seem to be alert enough to tackle  
this crisis. The need of the hour is to raise awareness  
and initiate special drives to combat this deadly  
disease."

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OBAMA's 100 DAYS OF PRESIDENCY  
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2. "OBAMA 100," editorial in April 30 independent Bengali  
daily ANANDABAZAR PATRIKA: "It is too early yet to  
discuss the effectiveness of President Obama's policies  
but his vision is praiseworthy. The courage he has been  
showing through different initiatives is laudable.  
American conservatism in economic and foreign policies is  
well known. Obama's achievements on these issues have

assumed a historic dimension in his first hundred days."

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PAKISTAN/TERRORISM  
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13. "WHERE IS OSAMA?" editorial in April 29 nationalist RASHTRIYA SAHARA Hindi daily: "Osama is an enigma, an elusive being, the world's biggest mystery. Pakistan's President Asif Zardari thinks he may be dead.... U.S. intelligence agencies think he may be hiding in the Chitral area of the Hindu Kush mountains in Pakistan, and that is why the drone attacks have been intensified in that area. It means the U.S. believes he is still alive. American experts have certified Osama's voice in a tape issued last month. But the man continues to fox America, and the rest of the world!"  
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